

Production of Agni-II has started. Its induction is planned during 2001-2002.

(c) The range and performance of Agni series of missiles are based on our threat perception and security requirements.

CVC report on defence deals

1257. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

SHRI R. P. GOENKA:

SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) has submitted a report to his Ministry on middlemen who are responsible to swing defence deals for foreign multi-nationals;

(b) if so, the broad features of the report and the action taken/proposed to be taken thereon;

(c) whether CVC charged various high officials of his Ministry and Army establishments in its report;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reasons for not laying the report in Parliament so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) The Central Vigilance Commission has submitted its Final Report on its investigation into Defence deals on 31.3.2001.

(b) to (e) The Report is being examined.